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REMARKS

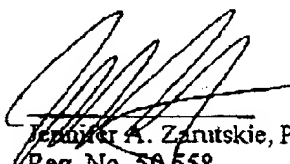
Claims 24-28 and 33-52 are pending, and claims 1-23 and 29-32 have been cancelled. Claims 24, 47, and 51 are hereby amended. No new matter has been added by virtue of these amendments. Without limitation, support for the amendments is provided in the originally filed claims and at page 47 in the instant specification. On page 47, it is disclosed that V is a heterocycle, and one of skill in the art would understand that "heterocycles" as defined are capable of containing single and double bonds.

Amendment should in no way be construed as an acquiescence to any of the Examiner's rejections. The amendments to the claims are being made solely to expedite prosecution of the present application and do not, and are not intended to, narrow the claims in any way. Applicants reserve the option to further prosecute the same or similar claims in the instant or in a subsequent patent application.

CONCLUSION

Based on the above Amendment, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Accordingly, allowance of the pending claims is requested. If a telephone conversation with Applicants' Agent would expedite prosecution of the above-identified application, the Examiner is urged to call the undersigned at (617) 832-1000.

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